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Mr. Tom Tuffly Rocky Pass Mines, Ltd. 3000 South Post Oak Suite 1450 Houston, Texas 77506

> RE: Rocky Pass Tungsten Mine Rocky Pass Mines, Ltd. ACT/003/001 Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Mr. Tuffly:

The Division has completed a review of the application for the Rocky Pass Tungsten Mine which was submitted on January 14, 1980. Though there are no major problems, the staff feels that several items need further clarification.

The items requiring further clarification are:

- 1. The MR 1 & 2 Forms show the location of the surface facilities and the mine areas to be in Sections 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Township 9 North, Range 17 West. The map sheet #1, included between MR Form 1 & 2, indicate the surveyed area for Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12. It might be helpful to indicate the purpose of the map and to indicate or clarify for the Division those sections to be included in the mine operation.
- 2. There appears to be some information missing between pages D-3 and D-4. Apparently, some of the information from grading and re-grading for tipple cross-sections, etc. has been left out.
- 3. MR Form 2, Page 1, states grazing as a land use. On Page 4 it states that the area will not be subject to grazing. Apparently, there is a conflict as to whether or not protection is needed and this should be identified.

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4. Re-seeding must be done until 70% cover is reached for 3 growing seasons, not up to 3 seedings if necessary. This is indicated on MR Form 2, Page 3, Number 6.

The Division awaits Rocky Pass Mines, Ltd.'s re-submittal of information before continuing our review.

As the maximum disturbance for the operation will be 15 acres at any one time, the Division will calculate a surety based upon that area of disturbance. If this is acceptable to Rocky Pass Mines, Ltd. please so indicate to the Division.

I hope this information is helpful to you. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,

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